

ELABORATE REPORT EXPLAINS NAVAL BILL

Submitted to House by Democratic Members of Committee—All Opposition to Measure, Which Calls for \$241,000,000 Appropriation, Expected From Republicans.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—An elaborate report explaining the \$241,000,000 naval appropriation bill was submitted to the House to-day by the Naval Committee. At the same time, the Republican members of the committee joined in a minority report, to be presented to-morrow, attacking the measure as inadequate and demanding that Congress provide for a navy ranking second among the world's fighting forces on the sea.

The bill which authorizes a building program for next year, including five great battle cruisers, is to be taken up in the House next Monday or Tuesday under a special rule limiting debate and providing for a final vote before the end of the week.

All opposition to the measure is expected to come from the Republican side, as the bill is one on which most of the Democrats have agreed. It would empower the President, at the close of the present war, to invite all world powers to a conference for the purpose of inaugurating an international power for the settlement of all disputes, and would provide that if before the bill's appropriations are enacted, the enemy penetrates, at the cost of important sacrifices, into the village of Cumieres, as well as into one of our trenches immediately west of this point.

Recent information sets forth that the forces employed by the enemy in the region of Dead Man's Hill since the 21st of May exceed three divisions. "On the right bank of the River Meuse there have been preparations on the part of the artillery and successive attacks of great violence. In the region of Haudremont and at Dead Man's Hill, the enemy has been successful in securing a footing on only a small part of a trench east of the fort. This has been accomplished without counting the cost in human lives. All endeavors against our positions west of the fort and upon the fort itself have been checked by our fire.

In the Woerthe district there have been bombardments in the sectors of Elx and Moulmerville."

CONCERTED EFFORT TO PREVENT SIMULTANEOUS ATTACK BY ALLIES
ROME, May 23 (via Paris, May 24).—The Austrian offensive on the Trentino front, and the furious efforts of the Germans to gain a decision at Verdun are explained in a semi-official statement published here as a result of a concerted effort on the part of the central powers to prevent an expected simultaneous attack by the allies on all fronts.

"The central empires," says the statement, "wish to prevent, even at the cost of enormous sacrifices of men and material, the allies from taking the initiative in the war operations, and attacking them simultaneously on all fronts. Such is the plan of the central powers, as revealed by the great Austrian offensive on the Trentino front, while the Germans are reviving their offensive against Verdun.

"Germany and Austria aim at wearing out France and Italy, counting on the temporary halt in the Russian operations continuing. They hope that when Russia is ready at last to resume the fight, the other two nations will be so worn out as to be unable to do so. This view is confirmed in statements made by Austrian officials who have been taken prisoner."

The statement concludes with an assertion that the Austro-German plans must fail, as all of the allies will be able to pass from the present defensive stage to a decisive, simultaneous offensive. This great joint offensive, it is declared, will bring about the downfall of the Teuton powers.

News from the front says that the Austrians are withdrawing the scope of their offensive. With the intention of preventing the Italians from concentrating any considerable force of men and guns at threatened points.

The Austrians continue to make their principal effort in the Alps and in the Rügen Valley. One of their most important advances was along the Lienz Mountains in Italian territory. They were driven from this district by an Italian counterattack.

RAYMOND ROBINS CHOSEN AS TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN
Progressive Executive Committee Makes Selections for Chicago Convention.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Raymond Robins, of Chicago, was selected as temporary chairman of the national convention of the Progressive party at Chicago, at a meeting here to-day of the executive committee of the Progressive National Committee.

Other officers selected were: C. K. Davis, of New York, secretary, and H. C. Corrick, of Nebraska, sergeant at arms.

Mr. Robins, the choice for temporary chairman, was the Progressive candidate for United States Senate in Illinois in 1914. He was a coal miner when the Klondike rush began. He was one of the first to go to the gold fields, and was successful in his quest there. Prior to 1912 he was a Democrat.

The greater part of the session of the committee to-day was given over to making plans for seating delegates, alternates and guests at the convention. Reports indicated, it was said, that the attendance of delegates and alternates would exceed 2,000. Instead of 1,250, as allotted in the official call. This increase, according to Secretary Davis, is explained by the fact that many of the States are sending double delegations. Mr. Davis said that the question of nominating speeches and the names of permanent officers was not discussed to-day.

FATHER OF 23 DIES
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
HARRISON, May 24.—The father of twenty-three children, George W. Stroup, eighty-two years old, died on Monday night near Broadway in Rockingham County. Funeral services were held this afternoon from the Linville Creek Church of the Brethren, of which he was a member. He lived throughout the four years of the war between the States. By his first wife, Catherine, he had four children. By his second wife, Miss Annie Pettie, he had nineteen children.

power mines and submarine defense equipment, \$4,563,424 is provided. Commodore Veeder and Captains Potts, Gibbons, Hill, Rust, Elliott and Quibby, retired by the plucking board, would be restored to the active list, under the bill.

SEIERS TO MAKE JACKSON STATUE
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to General Jackson erected in Capitol Square by Englishmen, but it will not entirely supplant the other tribute. THIRTY-ONE MODELS OFFERED BY SCULPTORS
It was in April, 1915, that the Jackson Monument Association called for designs. Every sculptor of renown in the country responded. Two months ago thirty-one models were submitted. These were finally reduced, as meriting further examination, to those submitted by E. William Sievers, E. C. Potter, of Greenwich, Conn.; Charles Keck, of New York, and Pompeo Coppini, of San Antonio. Later the design submitted by Coppini was tentatively selected. This model was subjected to later criticism, however, and the competition was thrown open again. Nothing daunted, Mr. Sievers began work on his fourth model. It was prophetic on his life and work, and was the model for which he entered his studio one day and remarked, "That will win."

"When she doesn't like my models," said Mr. Sievers last night, "she doesn't say anything. So her remark encouraged me, and I went to work harder than ever."

The committee appointed from the Jackson Monument Association to select the model is composed of Judge George L. Christian, Colonel E. D. Taylor, Colonel George Wayne Anderson, Edwin P. Cox and Mrs. Charles E. Bolling. Rev. James Power Smith, D. D., president of the association and only surviving officer of Stonewall Jackson's staff, sat with the committee, for none were so familiar with the characteristics of Jackson as he.

The charter members of the commission were Judge D. C. Richmond, Judge George L. Christian, Colonel William A. Anderson, Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Ellyson, Congressman S. A. Montague, Colonel Joseph E. Wilbur, Colonel John H. Russell, Colonel J. Lane Stern, William H. White, John A. Curtis, E. D. Hochstetler, Sr., John S. Harwood, Rev. James Power Smith, D. D., Mrs. Thomas S. Bock, Mrs. L. C. Daniel, Major Holmes Conrad, James C. Pollard, Edward C. Rees, Colonel E. C. James, Colonel Len P. Owen, General W. W. Seal, Richard Evelyn Byrd, Edwin P. Cox, George F. Baltzell, C. A. Captain William M. Myers, Dr. Stuart Metcalf, Major T. M. Worthington, John Stewart Bryan, C. C. Pinckney, Colonel Jennings C. Wise, C. A. Richardson, Frank S. Woodson, General W. R. Freeman, James T. Gray, General J. Thompson Brown, General Fifth Bulling, Major Robert W. Hunter, George H. Myers, John T. Wood, P. K. Travers, Warlock, Captain Morgan R. Mills, George W. Rogers, Colonel C. Edmund Pendleton, J. G. A. Montague, J. R. Holderby, Jr., Charles B. Cook, John D. Murrell, H. C. Cooper, R. M. Lynn, W. E. Seal, W. J. Gilman, E. J. Pollard, Jr., James J. Pollard, E. J. Bostler, Oliver Spaulding, Jr., E. S. At R. H. Harwood, A. C. Herman, Charles J. Anderson, James J. Cramer, A. Hill Montague, J. Branch Johnson, A. G. Brown, Jr., A. J. Brinkley, Captain W. W. LaPrade and E. C. Pollock.

REMARKABLE CAREER OF THE SUCCESSFUL ARTIST

Dr. Smith was elected chairman of the association, and since its establishment he has been one of the most active in forwarding the memorial movement and in selecting place and design. It was with great pleasure that General Jackson's last surviving officer knew that the last tribute which he could help to pay is soon to be given.

Mr. Sievers, the successful sculptor, was born in Indiana. When a young man he moved, with his family, to Atlanta, Ga., where he earned his living by picking berries and, later, by carrying a newspaper route. He worked for a time in a woodcarver's shop, where he gained his first lessons in sculpture, and where his taste for the art was kindled. He was later to spend for the work he was later to do. At the end of the first year he was a salaried man—at \$1 a week. He came to Richmond, where he entered a woodworking shop, and where he

entered the Virginia Mechanics' Institute. Here he studied hard, and soon he became an instructor. After two years of unrelenting effort, he saved enough money to go to Rome, where he entered the Royal Academy of Fine Arts, the young sculptor went first prize in his class. His instructor was Edouard Ferraro, one of Italy's foremost sculptors. Following his graduation from the Royal Academy of Fine Arts, the young sculptor went to Paris, where he continued his studies. He devoted himself day and night to his art, and to-day—still a young man as age is considered now—he is near the top of the profession. He comes of a family of students. His uncle, Professor George Edward Sievers, holds the chair of English philology in the University of Leipzig.

WOMAN JUMPS OFF TRAIN AND DIES IN HOSPITAL
Mrs. Ruth Andrews Leaps From Platform of Moving Car While Sister Is Asleep.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ALEXANDRIA, Va., May 24.—Mrs. Ruth Andrews, this year's old, wife of William C. Andrews, of Staunton, Va., died this afternoon as the result of injuries received at midnight last night by jumping from a southbound Chesapeake and Ohio passenger train while she was en route to her home. Mrs. Andrews made the jump from the platform of a car when the train was near Burke's Station, Fairfax County. Mrs. Andrews's husband was in the smoking car at the time and her sister, Miss Lula Myrtle, also of Staunton, who was with her, had gone to sleep in the seat beside her. A few minutes afterward the husband returned to the train and missed his wife. The husband and sister, supposing what had happened, got off the train at Manassas and returned to Alexandria. In the meantime Mrs. Andrews was found beside the track by the crew of a Southern Railway freight train and placed aboard the train, and taken to Manassas, where she was treated by Dr. Merchant, of that place. At 5 o'clock this morning she was brought to the Alexandria Hospital. Her husband and sister had preceded her. The body will be taken to Staunton, Va., for burial.

NAVAL COLLIER'S RECORD
The Neptune Goes From Hampton Roads to Guantanamo and Back in Three Weeks.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NORFOLK, Va., May 24.—The naval collier Neptune, according to the claims of navy officers at the navy-yard, established a new navy record on her southern trip just concluded. The voyage from Hampton Roads to Cristobal, where a cargo of coal was discharged, and a gravel cargo shipped, thence to Guantanamo, where the gravel was left and the run back to Hampton Roads was completed within three weeks. The Neptune is loading a cargo of coal, awaiting orders. Lieutenant-Commander Shane will relieve Lieutenant-Commander Owens, present commander.

MONEY must rest in the bank to draw interest. VELVET never could have its age-mellowed smoothness if it didn't rest "in the wood" two years.
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VON BUELOW MAY VISIT U. S. ON PEACE MISSION
London Hears Rumor That Former German Chancellor Is Coming as Special Delegate.
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LONDON, May 24.—A rumor that Prince von Buelow, former German Chancellor, is to visit the United States as a peace delegate is current in diplomatic circles here, but up to the present hour it has not been possible to obtain confirmation from any authoritative source.
The rumor, however, attracts much attention in consideration of the fact that Prince von Buelow recently was summoned to see the German Emperor, and that, as he has not been in office during the war, he can disclaim any share in the waging of the war.
The Exchange Telegraph Company says it understands Prince von Buelow will become ambassador to the United States. This information is said to have been obtained from diplomatic circles in London.

OFFICIALS FRANKLY SKEPTICAL OF ACCURACY OF REPORT
WASHINGTON, May 24.—State Department officials were frankly skeptical of the accuracy of the report that Prince von Buelow was coming to Washington on a special mission from Emperor William. They have received no official or unofficial intimation that such a visit was contemplated. The German embassy also was without knowledge of any plan to send Prince von Buelow to the United States.
A high official pointed out that the report originated in London, which, to his mind, cast doubt upon its truth, since it was certain to be widely discussed as a possible peace overture from Germany. The Berlin government, he said, has not yet seen fit to suggest a peace move officially or confidentially in any way.
The possibility that the former Chancellor would supplant Count von Bernstorff as ambassador here also was greatly doubted in official circles. Ambassador von Bernstorff's diplomatic achievements through the submarine controversy, it was stated, seemed to make it certain that he would be left undisturbed by his government.

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LORD CURZON DEFENDS BRITAIN'S AIR SERVICE
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LONDON, May 24.—Debate in the House of Lords on the aerial service was resumed to-day. Lord Curzon said the reason the government had not created a ministerial department to take charge of aeronautics was the lack of agreement between the War Office and the admiralty on this subject. He believed both departments would have resisted a measure providing for an air ministry, and that, unless their views were harmonized, there would be no justification for putting forward such a project. The nation had reason to be proud of its aerial service, which had accomplished great things, Lord Curzon continued. The defenses of London and of the country at large, he said, were much more formidable at present than a short time ago.

Great Britain's air service, Lord Curzon said, need fear no comparison with the German air service.
Another reason for not creating a ministry of aeronautics, added Lord Curzon, was that the setting of the machinery to that end at work in the midst of war would have meant a tremendous effort, and might have exercised a disturbing influence. His personal opinion was that such a ministry was destined to come, but he would rather see it as a gradual agreement among all those interested.

Lord Curzon then announced that the new aerial board to advise the admiralty and the War Office in regard to air service and designs of machines, of which he is chairman, would comprise Rear-Admiral Frederick Charles Tudor, Rear-Admiral Charles L. Vaughan-Lee, Major-General Sir David Henderson, General W. S. Brancker, Lord Sydenham and Major Baird.

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